



General Assembly

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LCO No. 1404

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:
REP. WILBER, 63rd Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 319tt of the general statutes be amended to provide
- 2 that the Commissioner of Social Services shall implement the following
- 3 changes with respect to the administration of the food stamp program:
- 4 (1) There shall be established a maximum food stamp benefit period
- 5 for able-bodied adults without children, (2) food stamp recipients shall
- 6 be encouraged to purchase Connecticut food products, (3) food stamp
- 7 purchases shall be restricted to food products that are deemed to be
- 8 nutritional, and (4) the commissioner shall develop a promotional and
- 9 outreach campaign, in coordination with state supermarkets, to make
- 10 food stamp recipients aware of changes in the implementation of the
- 11 program.

Statement of Purpose:

To limit food stamp eligibility for able-bodied adults without children, and require, to the extent possible, that food stamps be used to purchase nutritional food products, as well as food products grown or produced in the state.